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In re Patent Application of:
Xiao-Bo WANG et al.

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For: APPARATUSES AND METHODS FOR FIELD
FLOW FRACTIONATION OF PARTICLES
USING ACOUSTIC AND OTHER FORCES

Examiner: J. Brown

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated January 14, 2004 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to this action is due on or before April 14, 2004. Submitted herewith is a petition and fee for a three-month extension of time, thereby extending the time to file a response until July 14, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. The considered claims, claims 25-41, 44-48 and 65-78 were pending. Claims 25-41, 44-48 and 65-78 are rejected.

Applicants have given careful consideration to the grounds for rejection and objection. The following amendments and remarks are believed to place this application in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested.